

Vesper Propers, February 1, 2009
Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee
Prefestive Day of the Meeting

Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2006

Lamplighting Psalms in the tone of the week (Tone 5, page 69), stichera 10-7.

Cantor: If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
(on 6) But with you is found forgiveness; for this we revere you.

Stichera of the Publican and Pharisee - Tone 1 samohlasen

O faith-ful, let us not pray as the Phar-i-see, for those who exalt themselves shall be hum-ble-d. Let us hum-ble our-selves be-fore God, and with the Pub-li-can let us say: "Lord have mer-cy on me a sin-ner."

Cantor: My soul is longing for the Lord, I count on his word.
(on 5) My soul is longing for the Lord, more than watchman for daybreak.
All repeat: "O faithful, let us not pray as the Pharisee..."

Cantor: Let the watchman count on daybreak
(on 4) and Israel on the Lord.

The Phar-i-see, o-ver-come with his pride, and the Pub-lican, bent down in re-pent-ance, came be-fore you, the on-ly Lord; the first trusted in himself

and was deprived of your bless - ings; the oth - er spoke but a few words and
 received your blessings in a - bun - dance. Be - hold my tears and strengthen me, O
 Christ our God, for you are in - deed the Lov - er of us all.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Pre-festive stichera of the Meeting - Tone 4 samohlasen

The precious Temple is preparing to re - ceive the Lord. He is com - ing as a child,
 and through grace He manifests himself to the faithful and God - pleas - ing as - sem - bly.
 For that rea - son, we cry out: You are the glo - ry, the praise, and the adornment of
 my ful - fill - ment, O Word. You have been a child in the flesh for my sake.

Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations; **Psalm 116**
(on 2) acclaim him, all you peoples!

The very splendid Bridal Chamber and pre - cious Tent, the ho - ly and

Troparia

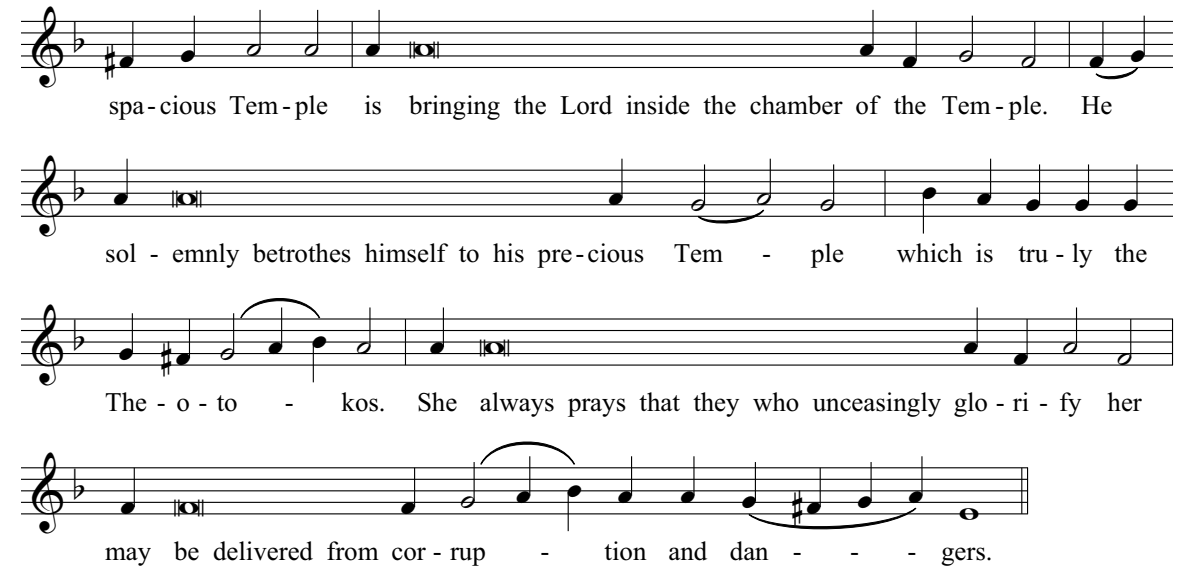
Troparion of the Resurrection in the Tone of the Week (Tone 5, page 80).

Cantor: (Tone 1) Glory... Now and ever...

Pre-festive troparion of the Meeting - Tone 1



The an-gel-ic choir of heav-en looks earth - ward, peer-ing down from the
heav - en - ly heights to be-hold the first-born of all cre - a - tion car-ried
in - to the Tem-ple as an in - fant in the arms of his
moth - er who has not known man. To-geth - er with us they are o - ver - whelmed
with awe and sing a hymn in pre - par - a - tion for the feast.



spa-cious Tem-ple is bringing the Lord inside the chamber of the Tem-ple. He
sol - emnly betrothes himself to his pre-cious Tem - ple which is tru - ly the
The - o - to - kos. She always prays that they who unceasingly glo - ri - fy her
may be delivered from cor - rup - tion and dan - - - gers.

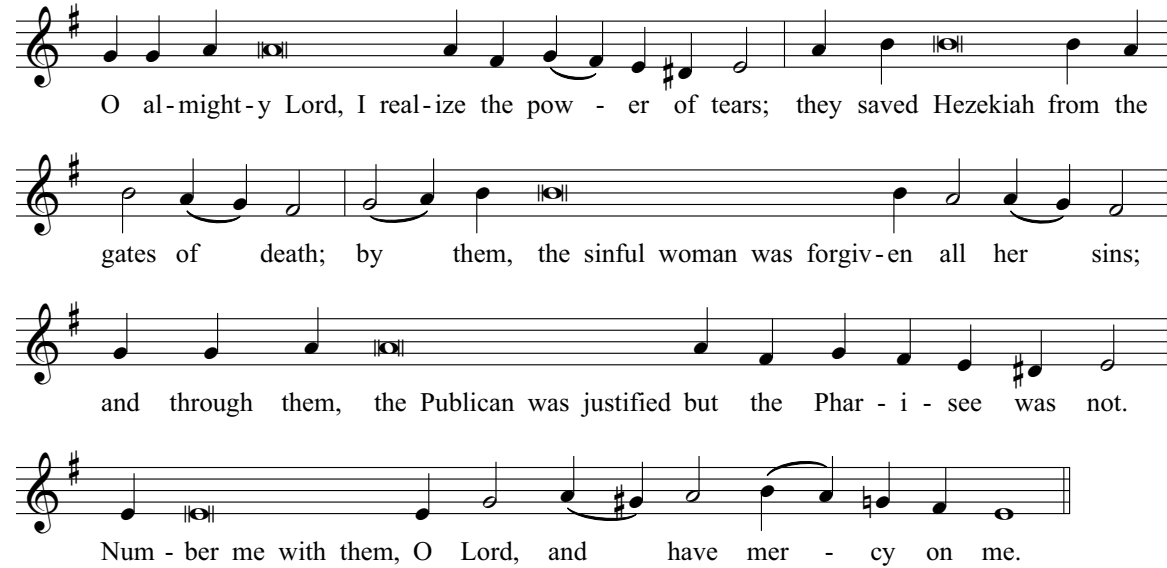
Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us;
(on 1) he is faithful forever.



We are now offering prefest-ive praise to Christ and are glorifying his con-de-scen-sion.
As though with the hands of the Vir-gin, we bring Him as an infant to lie in the arms
of Sim - e - on. He calls all peo-ple in order to dei - fy our na - ture
since He is our Ben - e - fac - tor and our Lord.

Cantor: (Tone 8) Glory...

Doxastikon - Tone 8 samohlasen



O al-might-y Lord, I real-ize the pow - er of tears; they saved Hezekiah from the gates of death; by them, the sinful woman was forgiv-en all her sins; and through them, the Publican was justified but the Phar - i - see was not. Num - ber me with them, O Lord, and have mer - cy on me.

Cantor: (Tone 8) Now and ever...

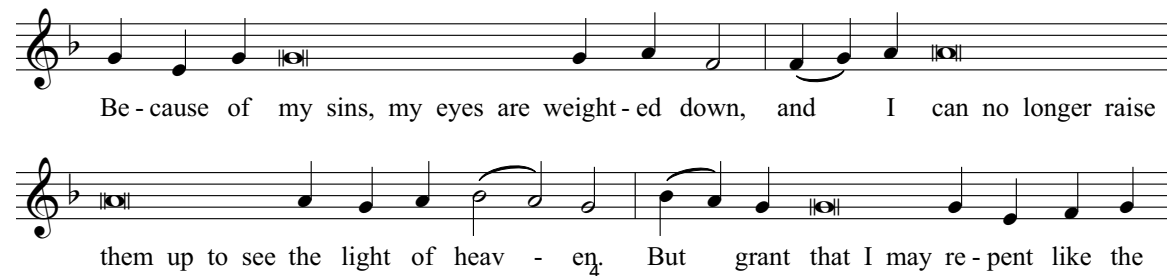
Dogmatikon in the Tone of the week (Tone 5, page 76).

Aposticha

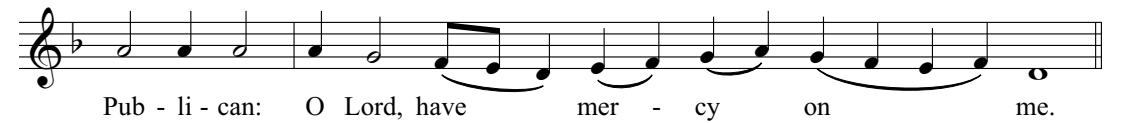
Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 5, page 77), concluding with:

Cantor: Glory...

Aposticha doxastikon of the Publican and Pharisee - Tone 5 samohlasen



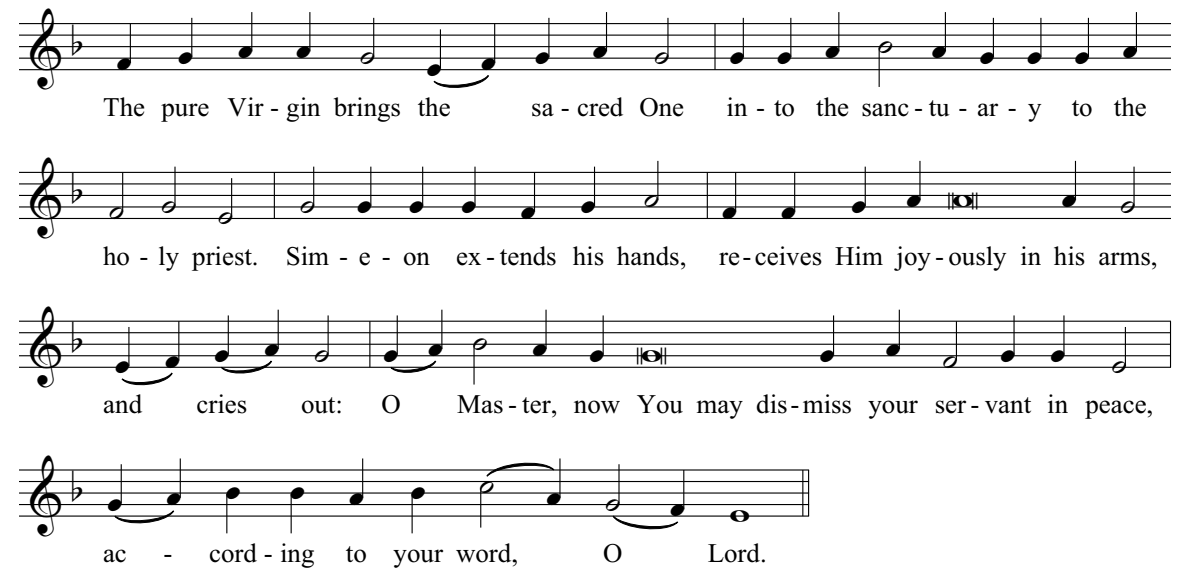
Be-cause of my sins, my eyes are weight-ed down, and I can no longer raise them up to see the light of heav - en. But grant that I may re-pent like the



Pub - li - can: O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Cantor: (Tone 2) Now and ever...

Aposticha doxastikon of the pre-feast - Tone 2 samohlasen



The pure Vir - gin brings the sa - cred One in - to the sanc - tu - ar - y to the ho - ly priest. Sim - e - on ex-tends his hands, re-ceive Him joy-ously in his arms, and cries out: O Mas-ter, now You may dis-miss your ser-vant in peace, ac - cord - ing to your word, O Lord.